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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 9320**  
Kazuo KONDO et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003\_0968A  
Serial No. 10/626,551 : Group Art Unit 2854  
Filed July 25, 2003 : Examiner Leslie J. Evanisko

NAIL ART METHOD, AND APPARATUS  
THEREOF

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**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

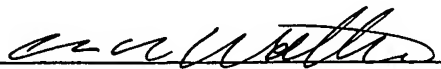
Pursuant to the requirement to elect a single species, as set forth in the Office Action mailed March 27, 2006, applicants hereby elect the species depicted in Figs. 1-12. Claims 1-4, 14-18 and 22 are readable on the elected species.

In view of this election, examination on the merits of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Kazuo KONDO et al.

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